



November
29, 2016

Main Street Monday!



#NOW17. You saved the date for the **2017 Main Street Now Conference** in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, May 1-3. Now, mark your calendar—**conference registration opens Thursday, December 1!**

Plan now to attend!! Kentucky has a lot of involvement in this conference with speakers, presenters, workshops, and more. Let's show our support of all involved. This will be a great conference to attend especially if you have never attended a NMSC conference before. It is a 6 hour drive from Frankfort, close enough for most to drive, share a room, and learn more about the Four Point Refresh and network with your peers from around the nation and so much more!

Main Street Holiday Highlight. All December long NMSC will be showcasing how Main Streets are celebrating the holiday season. Share your community events, parades and shop local campaigns with us by sending a short paragraph and photo(s) to Emily Schmidt at eschmidt@savingplaces.org. They'll be highlighting our favorites in *Main Street Weekly* and/or on our social media. Or, simply **tag us** in your posts on [Facebook](#)/[Twitter](#)/[Instagram](#) to let us know what's happening on your Main Street!

On the Heritage Ohio webinar calendar: Show Me the Money: National Trust for Historic Preservation Grants **Join them for their next webinar Wednesday, December 7, beginning at 1pm**

How well do you know the National Trust's grant opportunities? If you need a refresher, or don't know, then plan to join us for our next webinar on December 7. Diana Maxwell, the grants manager from the Trust will provide an overview of their grant opportunities.

sign up here <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8341240833395543809>

If you are not a member you can join for \$25 a year. Ohio Heritage is a non-profit. They provide a lot of great webinars each year and have other resources available.

Attention : don't make these common mistakes when thanking donors

The Clairification blog on fundraising helps you to guard against making these common end-of-year donor mistakes

<http://www.clairification.com/2016/11/24/thanksforgiving-9-mistakes-nonprofits-make-thanking-donors/>

***** Don't forget*****

**Year end Reinvestments are due
Dec. 30, 2016 !!!**

**Certification documents are due
January 15, 2017**

This is a discussion that comes up quite a lot in Main Street. We have vacant and blighted buildings for a variety of reasons and several communities around the state have ordinances to address it such as Lexington, but I thought you would like to see what is happening in the Nation's Capitol. It might be helpful in your community.

D.C. Tightens Regulations on Vacant Properties

It will soon become harder for landlords to neglect vacant or blighted properties under a bill the D.C. Council unanimously passed today. The measure—first introduced by At-Large Councilmember Elissa Silverman and co-sponsored by nine of her colleagues in December—seeks to maintain such buildings at higher property tax rates (5 and 10 percent more than standard for those determined to be vacant and blighted, respectively) until owners affirmatively prove to the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs that they've abated issues. Current law requires that DCRA verify that buildings are vacant or blighted every six months, even when an owner has not indicated that they've made improvements. This has led to inconsistent enforcement of property laws and consumed inspectors' time. [Learn More](#)

<http://www.washingtoncitypaper.com/news/housing-complex/blog/20839403/dc-tightens-regulations-on-vacant-properties>



The communities of Taylorsville, Danville, Bellevue, Pineville, & Winchester met with Rachel Kennedy and Kitty Dougoud recently to discuss the building inventory. It was a great mtg.

Today is [#GivingTuesday](#)! Take part by donating to a local Main Street program and/or supporting the national Main Street movement with a gift to Main Street America. Main Streets rely on the dedication of community members, business owners, local leaders and volunteers to revitalize downtown and neighborhood commercial districts.

Support a local Main Street program and

Support Main Street America: <http://bit.ly/1A8ENEX>

[Here are some excerpts from the National Conference and where to find them.](#) Stephen Klineberg was excellent. His presentation is on population change and economics. He is a professor at Rice University.

Visit the [PastForward 2016 YouTube playlist](#) to watch Opening Plenary remarks by Stephanie K. Meeks, CEO and president, National Trust for Historic Preservation and Stephen Klineberg, founding director, Kinder Institute for Urban Research, as well as the awards presentation.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLk9GN_xSQe42Yo2ijnPVoyNVvD6iMqYsA

Access the [Preservation Leadership Forum blog](#) for daily conference recap posts. <http://forum.savingplaces.org/search?s=tags%3aHouston+2016&execu>

Watch the [Lives Rooted in Places video](#) which was launched at the Future of Preservation Summit. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lburSmpnbxE>

Thanks and see you in Chicago next year, November 14-17.

Celebrating a young entrepreneur in Campbellsville!

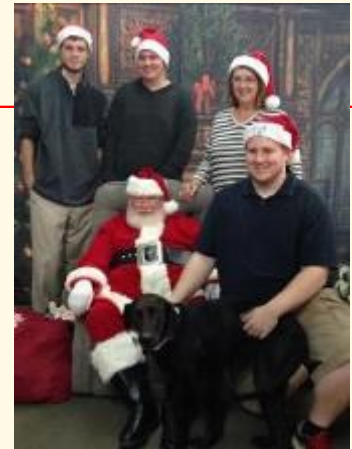


TJ Rayhill, is the youngest business owner on Main Street in Campbellsville. He is 19 years old, a junior at Campbellsville University and owns Dog-Eared Books, a used bookstore of over 7,000 books.

He hosted Santa photos with children and pets at our Christmas Open House on Saturday, November 12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and will host Santa again on Saturday, December 3rd from 4:00-6:00 p.m. before the Christmas Parade.

TJ Rayhill was just elected Vice-President of our Campbellsville Main Street Board and serves as Co-Chair of the Promotions Committee. He's shown outside his store with a blow up of Santa.

He even has staff!!



Members of our Campbellsville Main Street Board are Doug Tucker, President, and his wife, Kathleen Tucker, Secretary in Tucker Diamonds and Gold. Wonder if director Donna Logsdon has been naughty or nice?



Pikeville Main Street held the Santa Dash on Small Business Saturday Complete with Snowman Soup!





Bellevue's Jody Robinson made an appearance on the local news to encourage shoppers to get out and Shop Small!



Lisa Thompson, Washington DC & former KYMS director shopped small in Cyntiana. She actually came to get a new pup!



Everyone really liked this years shopping bags!



Shopping Small and Smalls shopping !



A lot of shopping on the Avenue in Bellevue!!

Christmas Downtown
Shop • Dine • Unwind & Stay

Shop

1. Appalachian Antiques &
2. Art & Gift Shoppe
3. Classic Printing
4. Crisp Damon Furniture
5. Dance World Clothing & Gifts
6. Ghostbusters Tanning
7. Goodfellas Barber Shop
8. Kid's Stuff
9. Levi's Floral
10. Mickey's Manicure
11. Pine Mountain Gifts
12. Rustic Roots on Second
13. Smalltown Tattoo
14. Southern Steel Tattoo
15. Studio 23 Hair Salon
16. T.O. Sporting Goods
17. Unique Boutique

Dine

18. Bank 253
19. Blue Raven
20. Bob's Smokehouse BBQ
21. Chino's Italian Ristorante
22. Donnie & Daisy Bar
23. Downtown Diner
24. Garden Grille & Bar
25. Joyce's Place
26. Roasted Coffee & Cafe
27. Sliced by Blue Raven

Unwind & Stay

28. Bucking Spirits Distillery
29. East KY Expo Center
30. Jenny Wiley Theatre
31. Rhapsody 10 Cinemas
32. Hampton Inn
33. Hilton Garden Inn
34. Historic Mansion Inn



Sharing a great idea from Pikeville. A special map for the holiday shopping season including the Shop Small logo.



Light up Bardstown was a great success!



It was a huge turnout for Dickens' Christmas in downtown Paducah!

DECEMBER 17TH
STAY OUT LATE
SHOP TILL 8PM

DOWNTOWN PADUCAH PRESENTS
THE LAST SHOPPING SATURDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

SPIRIT of the HOLIDAYS

- Unique Gifts Galore
- Store Discounts
- Restaurant, Drink Specials & More
- Over 30 Downtown Stores

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Paducahmainstreet.org/events

Photo credit: Robert Baskin



Director, Melinda Winchester and friends for Dickens' Christmas in downtown Paducah!



Pineville Main Street is very excited to present their new Christmas tree. What a great addition to their downtown square!





A few scenes from Houston: City Hall is a wonderful art deco building. There are two others in the downtown, Chase Bank and the Esperson Building reflected in the tower across the street.



Esperson Building elevators

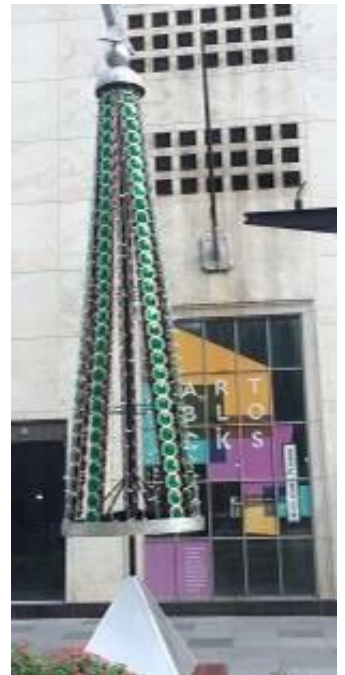
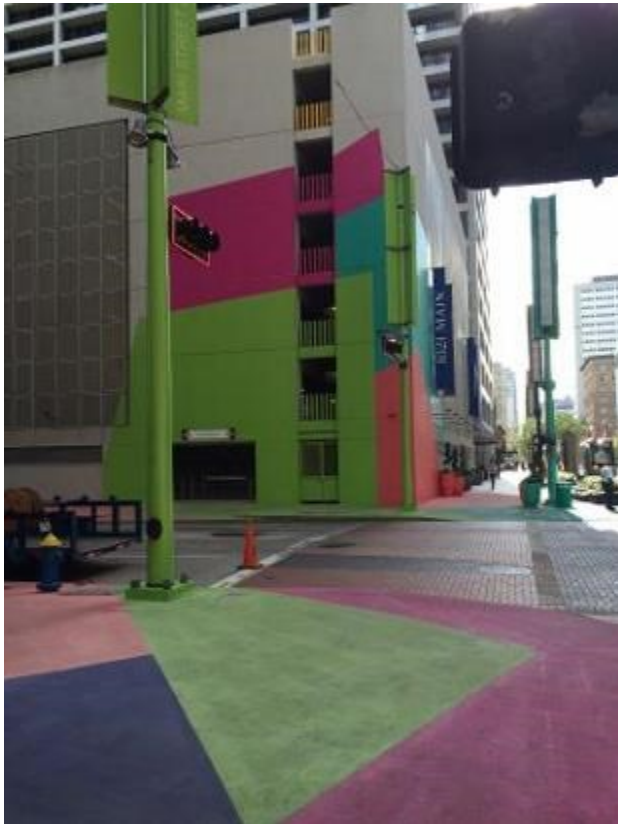


There are many other examples of Art Deco in Houston, these are just the three I was lucky enough to see.



The bank building was formerly know as the Gulf Building. As you can imagine there are a lot of oil company headquarters downtown that dwarf the remaining historic structures. To the left is the bank lobby.

Streetscape project in Houston entitled Art Block, the entire block has public art and this one carries onto the streetscape and buildings.



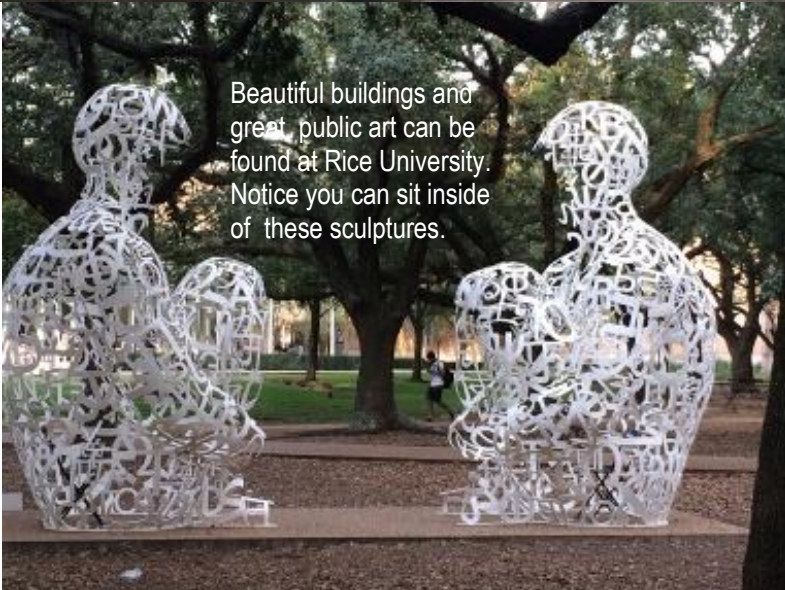
These umbrellas were not on the Main Street, but a great example of lighter, quicker, cheaper.



There is a small remaining streetscape in the downtown. I loved the slipcover for Easy Credit. You can see it next to the Kiam advertisement in the streetscape.



Similar to what was shared from Covington last week. This area of Fannin Street incorporated their old photos onto their street lights.



Beautiful buildings and great public art can be found at Rice University. Notice you can sit inside of these sculptures.



Greetings from your town would make a great photo op location. This sign is the back wall of a patio and not on the building as it seems to be.



Some fun sights from downtown. Carmen Miranda was a favorite.



This sign is hard to read, but It says " As we build our city let us think we are building forever. A great motto to have. I'm not sure when it was installed, but I wonder if all those skyscrapers were what they envisioned.

For all those parking lots. Houston actually makes them living fences so that appear to be hedge rows as seen in the background. They enhance the area they surround and give it more of a pedestrian feel.



I was fascinated by this building. It is the Market Square Tower apartment building that is 40 stories high. See that blue rectangle in the top center, that's a cantilevered swimming pool! YIKES



Not really much of a view unless you like highways. The apts. range from \$1800 -\$5800 a month!





A Swarovski Crystal steer head at the airport!



Don't park illegally in Houston, this is how they tell you they are going to tow your vehicle!

A huge football sits in the park near the convention center that tell you how many days to the Super Bowl. It was 181 days when the photo was taken.



This sign was just in a random building downtown but we liked it. It says:

Wag more, bark less.



Thought you would like to see a photo of Scot Walters who just happened to be in Houston at the same time. The flowers were an installation by a French artist and they change color at night. They are made from what Scot thought was a type of velum paper. They are way cool. I was obsessed with them.

Have a great week and enjoy all the Christmas parades and festivities happening this week-end!